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STATE SENATE CAMPAIGN

Since the death of Senator Gayle of Buckingham, there is much talk among the Democrats as to a suitable candidate to succeed him. The Eighteenth district is composed of Appomattox, Buckingham, Fluvanna and Charlotte counties,and the nomination will be by primary if there be more than one candidate to enter the race.

Mr. S. L Ferguson, for many years attorney for the commonwealth for Appomattox county has been urged to announce himself a candidate for the honor. Mr Ferguson is an able lawyer and an old campaigner and would make an efficient member of the Senate.

Mr. A. H. Clement, of Appomattox is being urged by his friends to make the fight for the nomination, and he is considering the matter.

We have not heard of any possible candidates from any of the other counties.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT IN APPOMATTOX

It appears, from the records of the County Clerk's office, that in the four years we have employed convict labor, we have built about 26 miles of road, at a total money outlay of $39,322 62, as follows: 10½ miles soil road which cost in local money outlay $13,960.83, or $1329.50 per mile. Of this $13,960 83 money outlay forsoil roads, $4653 61, or ⅓, was appropriated by the Supervisors and $9307.22 was by private subscription. The remaining 15½ miles of road construction cost $25,361.79, or $1638.24 a mile, and has been paid for: one half by the county and one-half by the road district in which the work was done. These last 15½ miles of road construction is a class of work which is called "mountain grade" work. This work has only been done in continuous sections embracing average lengths of 3 miles,but consists of short lengths, and consisted sections of hill work—involving the moving of How large a the greatest amount of earth at the least cost per mile, and heavy stone work, or the purchase and the transportation of the necessary stone to dispose of the

II. The, in these hills, for the section of the roads when finished. This latter mileage cost includes several steel or concrete bridges.

Fairness demands that these facts should be presented along with any estimates and comparisons on a mileage basis. The cost of road grading can not be figured in miles but must be in terms of cubic yards of earth and stone to be moved.

Now, after the lapse of about three years of his tenure of office, comes Mr. Ligon, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, in an article published Dec. 11, 1918, and raises the question as to whether we have gotten our money's worth in road construction, in which he presents figures of cost and mileage constructed.

We are unwilling to accept Mr. Ligon's deductions from which to draw conclusions either as to whether the cost of our roads has been excessive or as to a comparison of free labor work versus convict labor, because he does not show the amount and character of work involved in his mileage, and because he appears to have added to the money cost of the mileage he states the STATE MONEY AID WE WOULD HAVE GOTTEN if we had not used convicts instead.

We would have gotten, in the four years during which we have employed the convict force, approximately $1250 a year, or $5000 total money aid. This money would have been furnished upon exactly the same terms that the convict labor was furnished; that is, State specifications for the work and State supervision of the work

Instead of the $5000 in money, we chose and secured a camp of convicts, which has averaged about 35 men These men are boarded, clothed and guarded by the State; delivered to our construction foreman every morning and received back every night for safe keeping, without cost to the county except for 50 cents per month per capita for medical treatment—24 months of this cost was donated to the county by Dr. Abbitt and is included in the road mileage cost, though not paid for. The state estimates cost of convict to be worth $1 per day, or about half the present cost of free labor They are made to work and do work as well as free labor, if not better. Estimated at $1 per day, with 20 working days per month, their value would be $750 per month, or $36,000 for the four years, as against $5000 money aid which we would have gotten otherwise.

We are not prepared to charge that good use has not been made of this labor. Their tasks have been struck when and where our foremen directed and on roads designated by us. If good use has not been made of the convicts the chairman of the Board is late in making the discovery and it would seem to us a few visits to the camp and better organization would avail more than appeals to the public with an array of figures, which are more calculated to confound than to enlighten.

Let it be understood that there is no disposition on our part to place Mr Ligon as being opposed to road improvement in Appomattox We take it that no man so well posted as he would oppose road improvement. If we judge him aright he is opposed to convict labor but offers no better solution of the labor problem; that he opposes the plan of the State Highway Supervisors, but has proposed no plan to take its place. The people of the county want good roads and are confidently expecting our Board to provide the best means of obtaining same.

Hixburg

We still have some cases of the flu in our neighborhood.

Mrs. Gober Parks is right sick.

Miss Janie Marshall is right much better this week.

Mrs. Alice Harwood spent the holidays with her son, A. R. Harwood, in Appomattox.

Mr. Sears Hix, of Baden, N. C., spent the Xmas with home folks.

Mr. Nick Burrell has gone to Nashville, Tenn., where he will embark as a locomotive fireman on the L&N. Ry.

Miss Josephine Swan, of Bluefield, W. Va., is spending some time with relatives here.

Miss Carrie Hix and Mi s Alice Gilham, of Richmond, spent the holidays here.

Mr. Willie Hix, who spent the past year at Hopewell, is now at home.

Mr. Archer Armstrong and wife are at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wheeler.

Mr. P. H. Gilliam had the misfortune to get two ribs broken while at work at the wood saw at his home a few days before Xmas.

Mr. J. W. Davis happened to a serious accident while helping attend the wood saw at his home, on December 23d, having his thumb and index finger about severed and the palm of his hand severely cut. However, at this writing the attending physician has hopes of saving the entire hand.

One of my neighbors hitched up his buggy to take his wife out for Christmas dinner and while being in the house arranging to start, the mule not being tied started off without anyone seeing him move, went down the road to the gate, shoved it open with its nose, crossed a stream and went through several farms by way of a new-cut road through the woods to a church where the owner is a regular attendant,the mule was found standing beside its regular tie tree. Now it appears can beat him for a mule tail. I can go you one better yet.

Ovation Given Hon. S. L. Ferguson Last Evening at Court House

Notwithstanding the downpour of rain, a large and representative crowd of people from the various parts of the county assembled last evening at the Courthouse in mass meeting and passed suitable resolutions calling upon our friend and countryman, Hon. S. L Ferguson, to become a candidate for the seat in the Senate of Virginia made vacant by the death of Hon. Sands Gayle, of Buckingham.

The meeting was called to order by Hon. J. W. Cawthon, who stated the purpose of the meeting, after which Hon. W. H. Ligon of Pamplin, was chosen Chairman of the assembly and C. W. Smith was elected Secretary after which the chairman appointed a committee of three to draw up suitable resolutions, which committee consisted of Hon. J. W. Cawthon, Hon. R. L Burke and Prof. L. Crowley. The resolutions were offered, after which the house was thrown open to discussion Many took part in the hearty endorsement of Mr. Ferguson, among whom were the following: Hon. J W. Cawthon, Hon. R L. Burke, Rev. L F. Callaham, Co. R. F. Burke, Mr. Hamlin Babcock, Lieut. Walter Durham, Mr. L. F Smith, Prof. Crawley, Messrs. Presley Hannah, W. B. Caldwell, J. A. Burke, G. A. Schaffer, and E. J. Gills, all of whom spoke in the highest praise of the fitness of Mr. Ferguson for the office of Senator, and that he be requested to run, if possible, personal consideration, and become a candidate for election to that office, subject to the action of the Democratic Party, thereby pledging him our hearty support, and

Whereas, we feel that we would have in Mr. Ferguson a candidate who would be one of say num ber in the District who might aspire to this honor, and

Whereas, it is not been many years since Appomattox County has sought this preferment for one of her sons, and

Whereas, a number of influential citizens from other counties of the District have already announced the spirit of this meeting with voluntary proffers of their support of Mr. Ferguson's candidacy, therefore

Be it Further Resolved, that the Chairman of this meeting appoint a suitable committee to further the interests of Mr. Ferguson's candidacy in the District, upon his acceptance of the call.

J. W. CAWTHON, Jr.,
R. L. BURKE,
L. CRAWLEY,
Committee.

A committee was then sent to tell Mr. Ferguson at his home, the record that he the Conference, where he was told what had taken place, when votes from over the crowd rang out for "Speech" from the candidate, who, in a very few but well chosen words expressed his high appreciation of the great honor bestowed upon him by his friends and stated that he would hold the honor under consideration and make his decision soon.

Dead

LULA C. DAVIDSON

This community was greatly grieved when the sad news reached us that the death angel had come to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Davidson's, Brookneal, Va., on Dec. 19th, 1918, and claimed its own, their 19 year old daughter, Lula Christine. The deceased was stricken with pneumonia, following influenza. Miss Davidson had been a frequent visitor to Vera neighborhood where she had made a host of friends. Her death was a great shock to her relatives and friends, being so unexpected and taking as it did one who was universally loved. She was a member of Failing Baptist church where she was an active worker.

It is indeed a painful reflection for one so young, so popular and so much to live for, should be taken, but God knew best and behind the dark cloud of sorrow he has his purpose.

A thousand sweet memories are left and are burying above her grave bedecked as it is with flowers and watered with tears of living affection while her sweet spirit has joined its kindred kind

C.

WALTER B. CHEATHAM

This estimable man passed away at his home near Sherwell Sunday in the 46th year of his age. He is survived by his wife and several children. Remains interred Monday at New Concord church. He was reared in Appomattox and leaves a wide circle of friends and relatives here who regret his death

MISS ALICE HUBBARD

Miss Alice Hubbard died here Friday, Dec. 21, of pneumonia, resulting from influenza. She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Ling and Mrs Fanning, both of North Carolina, and one brother, Mr. William Hubbard, assistant cashier in the Farmers National Bank of this place. She had been a teacher in the public schools here for the past 12 years and was a young lady much beloved and widely known throughout the county. She is a sister of the Rev. R. C. Hubbard, for many years pastor of the Baptist church of this place and who died here recently. The body was taken to Nashville, Hanford county, for interment in the family burying ground.

The deceased's life was sacrificed for the good of others; industrious and energetic, she would not give up her duties. She will be greatly missed, especially by our children, who loved her so much. Her death is generally regretted by our people and her place in the home and community cannot be filled.

MRS. H. H. FARRIS

Mrs. H. H. Farris, wife of Rev. H. H. Farris, of Church Road, died yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock, of influenza at the home of her mother, Mrs K. H. Smith, 303 Essex street.

Mrs. Farris, aged 33 years, and until recently lived at Drakes Branch, where her husband was pastor of the Baptist church. They recently moved to Church Road, where Mr. Farris is in charge of two churches, and they were here for the Christmas holidays when both contracted influenza.

A baby daughter, 19 months old, Esther Elizabeth, survives her, and her husband, parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. H. Smith, and the following brothers and sisters: Misses Anna, Thelma, Pearl and Elizabeth Smith; James H.,Kirby H., Jr., Sidney W. and Rothwell L. Smith.—Friday's News.

WILLIAM MERRILL

Mr. William Merrill died Thursday evening at the Park hotel, Pamplin. He had been sick for some time, but until a little while before his death was thought to be improving. He had been identified with the Akron Clay Pipe Works, of Ohio, a large branch being operated here for many years past.

MRS WEBBER

Died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Davis, near Evergreen today (Wednesday) The deceased was a sister of Mr. J. L. Davis and was reared in the county

SENATOR SANDS GAYLE

Who represented the Eighteenth Senatorial District, died on Saturday, Dec. 21st, after a long illness. Senator Gayle had been elected for two terms and was 48 years old. He is survived by a wife and three children. He made his home at Gold Hill,in Buckingham county. Much sympathy is expressed for his loved ones.

BRAXTON CLARK MOORE

Died at his home on James River, near Stapleton, yesterday of pneumonia. He was a splendid young man of sixteen years, and was well known in this county. He was the half brother of Mrs Maud Moore, who was reared in this town

HERMAN LEE

The sad news of the death of our countyman occurred on the last battle and the last day of the great war. Private Lee went to Camp Lee last summer and was soon sent over seas with his company. The deceased was the son of our S. J. Lee, a prominent farmer of this county. This makes two drafted men killed from this county and two volunteers were killed and several of our boys died from disease. We shall honor their memory and bring their remains home soon.

Mr. John Haskins, Hampden Sidney; Miss Mary Haskins, Fredericksburg; and Miss Nellie Garnett, Blackstone, were students who came home for Xmas.

Misses Nannie and Mollie Spencer, who have been doing hospital service in Petersburg, came home for the holidays.

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Some boots and some dress oxfords. I do not know what the booze came from, but hear that brandy was from sorghum juice.

We have had plenty of herring, sausage, old hams, a variety of vegetables, but fruit but that which was canned or dried.

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OLD BUCKINGHAM.

THE GRAND OLD COUNTY PHOTO GRAPHED

Many Interesting Reports Made of Her People.

The flu is in our midst, and in some households there are not enough well ones to wait on those sick.

Drs Morriss and Mitchell have worked overtime and Dr. Patterson has been called off his regular round of patients to attend some in this part of the county.

Mr. and Mrs W. J. Hubard and Miss Sarah Hubard have all been sick at same time.

Misses Nettie and Mabel Swoope and one of Mr. T. B. Hall's children were all sick at same.

Several of Mr. W. A. Wood's children were down at same time.

At Mr. H. C Glover's home and at "Fountain Ridge" several of the inmates were sick. And so on through a long list of homes was the same dis tressing conditions.

So far as I am able to learn no deaths have taken place among the white people who have had the disease.

Mr. G. M. Rogers was home at Xmas on furlough.

Mr. Grandison Newton was home on sick leave but will go back to government hospital for treatment.

Mr. Roy Spencer spent Xmas with home folks, but will go back when the "Leviathan" sails again. This is said to be the largest ship afloat, and brought home 8000 American soldiers at one time.

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NOTICE

The Farm Committee and Directors of the Appomattox County National Farm Loan Association will meet at the office of the Secretary-Treasurer at Appomattox, Va., on the first Saturday and 3rd Sunday in each month.

Dated this 16 day of December, 1918.

A. H. CLEMENT,
Sec.-Treas.

Powell—Nash

Long G. Powell and Miss Lucile Nash ran off to Norfolk and were married on Dec. 21st and were married.

The young bride is the pretty daughter of Mr. W. T. Nash, of Appomattox, and the groom is the son of Mr. J. Mac. Powell, a saw and lumber manufacturer of this county. The couple will reside in Appomattox and we extend our best wishes.

Jennings—Brew

Mr Henry B. Jennings and Miss Fannie Brew were married at the home of the former's daughter, Mrs. Stratton, in Lynchburg last Monday. They will now residing on the hand some estate of the groom in Appomattox county on Wreck Island.

Bladen—Tuggle

A quiet marriage was solemnized at the parsonage at Concord on Dec. 14, when Miss Maggie Tuggle became the bride of Mr. Frederick Bladen. Rev. Rosser James performing the ceremony. Miss Tuggle is the daughter of Mrs. Tuggle Wilkerson, of Concord, and the groom is a native of Prunkie and holds a good position with the N. & W. Ry.

LeFew—Ferguson

George Edgar LeFew and Miss Irmis Bruce Ferguson were married last week in Lynchburg by Rev. J. L. Finch. Mr and Mrs. Thomas Bunch, of Chica. LeFew and O. H. LeFew were present at the marriage, and the young people will reside in Lynchburg.

Commenced

R. P. Oder,
R. B. Chase St.,
Lynchburg, Va.

Dear Sirs: Some time ago you favored me with a letter containing questions relative to a speedier and more efficient production of

The cloth service flags which I secured as a slight appreciation to the men who have written letters are now ready for distribution. Be sure that your flag may be correctly addressed, will you please sign and return the enclosed card (no postage required) immediately upon receipt of your letter, which have the flag sent to you.

In the patriotic efforts in the shipping made possible the building of the fleet and well. The conscientious performance of your portion of the work in which you did such a job—backed up by the boys "Over There." They looked to you to do this good and you did. We are continuing to build ships and look to you to maintain the same spirit and effort which you have therefore put forth.

Your fellow countrymen are serving the United States Shipping Board appreciates what you have done, and I personally thank you.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD N. HURLEY, Chm.,
U. S. Shipping Board.

Oct. 30, 1918.

In Memoriam

In memory of our precious loved Minnett P. Williams, who died Sunday night, Jan. 4 for eternal rest

We lose ago today the sting of death is his, and robbed our home of dear, and left us father-

At that graveyard yonder, where lies the body of the dead; Also his wife and children, Each taken over his head.

Sometimes home industry all Write it 1919.

Watch Appomattox grow!

Mr. C. L. Turnes, of W. Va., is here on a visit for a few days.

Dr. D. M. Robertson is reported sick with flu.

Mr. George Irby, of Netto way, is visiting his son, Robt. Irby, here.

Messrs. Jennings O'Brien and Robt. Babcock are down with flu.

Mr B. S. Loyd, of Roanoke, is spending the winter at Mr. J O O'Brien's here.

Elton, the son of Rev. and Mrs. L. F. Callaham is down with influenza.

Dr. J. B. Abbitt, who has been ill here with flu, left yesterday for Norfolk.

Since mailing out our letters, sugar has declined to 10½.

A. T INGE

Miss Mary Lizzie Abbitt is visiting friends and relatives in Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Harris and children spent the holidays with Mrs. E. A. Walton.

Start the New Year right, and pay as you go.

A. T. INGE.

Mr. Walker Walton was the guest during the holidays at Mr. William Zistrow's, at Burkeville.

For Sale—Fertilizers like you used to use,without substitutes. BLACKSTONE GUANO CO., 12 18 8t Blackstone, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Harper, of Petersburg, have been spending the holidays at Mr. Thos Odor's.

Miss Alice Hudson Cheatham, of Randolph Macon College, is spending the holidays at home here.

Mr. Pierce Odor, leaves today for his work in Baltimore after spending the holidays at home.

Sammie Ferguson came from Augusta Military Academy and spent the holidays at his home here.

A fine tobacco season and the prices will probably be higher when the market opens up.

Mr. Havilah Babcock made his Ph. and M. A. at Elon College in two years. This shows he is a worker.

Prof. Crawley and family who have been spending the holidays with wife's parents in Fauquier county, are back home.

Misses Lucile Caldwell and Neta Marshall who have been spending the holidays here returned to their school duties at Farmville to day.

Thomas Abbitt, of Bluefield, W. Va., has been spending the holidays with his parents here, left today for his post of duty.

Mr. L. E. Smith has purchased the business property between the two banks here and will erect a splendid business block thereon.

Mr. Harrison Burge will soon open up a new store in the telephone exchange building here. Harrison is a good merchant and knows that he enjoys a warm place in the hearts of our people.

Hands are here to erect sheds for sheltering passengers, who have been standing in weather for a long time. This is a needed improvement, now let the Director direct a decent depot for Appomattox.

The prospects for a new tobacco warehouse for Appomattox are very encouraging Arrangements are being made to put the stock on the market and have the warehouse ready for this years' crop.

On account of absence of our foreman and the dark and rainy days—necessitating short working days—our paper is unavoidably delayed this week and much important matter forced out.

Our farmers are on the move and great preparations are being made for huge crops for 1919. Good crops and fair prices will make Appomattox among the wealthy counties of the Commonwealth.

Happy and prosperous year to all.

County Demonstrator Anderson has resigned and will devote the whole of his time to Government demonstration work.

Rev. C. W. McElroy's resignation as pastor of Liberty church here has been accepted and we understand he has accepted a call to Marion, Va.

National Bank Examiner Stringfellow, like a thief in the night, visited the Farmers National Bank yesterday and investigated same in every detail. His report to the government will reflect credit and confidence in this strong government institution.

Beginning next Sunday evening Rev. L. F. Callaham will preach the following series of sermons for the special benefit of the young people: The Young Woman and Her Life Work; The Young Man and His Fellow Man; The Young Woman and Her Influence; The Young Man and His Temptations; The Young Woman and Her Pleasures; The Young Man and His Future Wife; The Woman and Her Future Husband. Sunday morning subject, Love's Transforming Power. Everybody invited.

Feast

The Festival of St. John the Divine was observed by Monroe Lodge 301 A. F. & A. M. on Friday evening, Dec. 27th, at their hall, at which time the officers for the ensuing year were publicly installed by E.E. Gills, D. D., Grand Master, District No. 26. After which supper was served at New Appomattox Hotel to members and their invited guests. A number of short speeches were made, which were enjoyed by all present. Among the out-of-town visitors were Rev. J. M. Street and S. H. Winfield.

Card of Thanks

We feel that we cannot find words to express our grateful appreciation of the many kind nesses extended to us during the illness and since the death of our dear sister, Miss Alice Hubbard. We also wish to extend our thanks for the beautiful floral tributes.

W. C. HUBBARD,
MRS. J. W. DOWNEY,
MRS. J. L. KING.

Resolutions of Respect

Whereas, God in His wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst our co-worker and fellow teacher, Miss Alice Hubbard, be it resolved:

First, that we, the faculty and student body of the Appomattox Agricultural High School, do hereby express our personal sorrow and a deep appreciation of her faithful service in the school and community.

Second, that we extend to the family our sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

Third, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family and to the Times-Virginian.

(Signed)
M. ESTELLE THORNTON,
E KELLOGG HOLLAND,
MRS C. T. MOSES,
Committee.

BOYS' SUBSCRIPTION FUND

We,the undersigned citizens, hereby subscribe to the TIMES-VIRGINIAN Fund to send the Home Paper to Our Boys who have left home—Appomattox County—in the Military Service of our Country:

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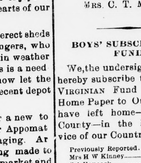

Our Soldiers

J. M. Paris and W. A. Paris, both of Lynchburg, received word yesterday from their brother, W. D. Paris, of Stonewall, Appomattox county, that another brother, Corporal Lawrence D Paris, Company A, 38th Infantry, died of wounds received in action, in France, October 28. Corporal Paris was about 28 years of age and unmarried. He was a native of Appomattox county, but before being drafted was employed for some time as guard at the city farm, where he was at work when he was drafted in September, 1917. He was a son of the late Thomas H. Paris, of Appomattox county, and he is survived by the following brothers and sisters: W. A. and J. M. Paris, Lynchburg; J. E Paris, Tampa, Fla.; W. D Paris, Appomattox county, and Mrs. Robert Garrett, Amherst county—Dec. 19 News.

On last Sunday a very attractive service was held at Old Buffalo church as a memorial of Corporal Phil B. Swann, who lost his life in the last great drive in France, about two weeks before the armistice was signed. One of the last things Mr. Swann did before going over, was to join the Masons. About twenty-three members of Southside lodge attended church in a body Sunday, and the house was packed. Rev. A. J. Fenton, the pastor, and a pastmaster of the lodge preached the sermon.—News, Dec. 13th.

Sgt. Berkely Turnes has received his honorable discharge from the army and is now at home

Sgt. Jamie Gills has received his honorable discharge and is now at home for a few days visiting home folks.

Lieut Adam Clement was home from Camp Grant, Ill., for the holidays.

Lewis Doss,of the Navy, has been spending the holidays with his home people.

Joel W. Flood writes Mr. S. L. Ferguson a very interesting letter, relating his experience in the last days of the war. He was a German prisoner for six hours, when he killed his guard and escaped, his clothes were torn by shell fire, but he congratulates himself that he is safe and sound and expects to return home soon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Casey, of Spout Spring, have just received a letter from their son, Private Edward J. Casey, Co. M, 119th Inf., under date of November 19, saying: "I have been in hospital for 15 days with influenza, but I am well again and feeling fine." This is the first news from him since the armistice was declared. Another son, Private J. Ammon Casey, has not been heard from since October 15.

Private Lloyd P. inge, Pamplin, Va., is reported seriously wounded.

Private Lawrence D. Paris, of Stapleton, quoted as severely wounded.

Pvt. Joel W.,Covington came in yesterday from Camp Wadsworth, S. C., with his honorable discharge. Pvt. Thos. Covington, who is with the army in France, writes that he is safe and sound since the fighting stopped.

A telegram from Cliff Godsey has been received stating that he is on his way home. Cliff was captured two years ago by the German U-Boats on the high seas and he was rescued from a sinking mule ship, and has been in a German prison camp ever since. The tales that Cliff will have to tell will harrow up the souls of men.

Herbert Pulliam, of the war department at Washington, is spending the holidays here.

Many reports about our soldier boys never reach us. We shall be glad to have letters from them, or any news about them, and we will send them the county paper if address is furnished.

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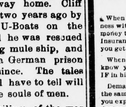

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